# Texas A&M University TEES

# Global Research Partnerships

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# Texas A&M University

- Comprehensive land-grant university
- 58,000 students

#### College of Engineering

- 12,500 students (9000 UG, 3500 G)
- 13 departments
- 375 tenure-track faculty

# Texas A&M University at Qatar

- Focused undergraduate branch campus
- Located in Doha Education City
- 550 students and 90 faculty
- Degrees in petroleum, electrical, mechanical, and chemical engineering
- One of several US institutions under Hamad bin Khalifa University

# **TEES**

- Texas Engineering Experiment Station
- Applied research focus
- Technology development and transfer
- Industrial partnership program
- Workforce development
- \$154M research expenditures in 2012/13
- Texas State Agency

#### Contractual Research Agreements

#### **Qatar Research Collaboration**

- TEES Division in Doha
- Primarily QNRF Projects
- Collaboration between TAMU and TAMUQ through TEES
- Current funding \$30M
  - 65% in Qatar, 35% in US
- TEES Centers (Safety, Smart Grid, Remote Healthcare)

#### Contractual Research Agreements

#### **Brazil Research Collaboration**

- TAMU/TEES with UFRJ/COPPETEC
- Dual agreement between universities and agencies
- Industry sponsored global projects
- Focus on oil and gas industry
- Workforce development

## Other Research Agreements

Greece

TEES with National Research Center Democritus of Greece

Mexico

TAMU and CONACYT

Russia

New Institute of Petroleum Engineering

Saudi Arabia

KAUST Center for Materials/Energy

## **Upcoming Opportunities**

#### **Announced Today in NY Times:**

Texas A&M leaders and Israeli officials announce the creation of the Texas A&M University at Nazareth, a branch campus of Texas A&M. Expected student body to be up to 5000 students. First American university branch campus in Israel.

# Opportunities and Challenges

#### **Opportunities**

- Collaboration strengthens research
- Emerging areas of focus
- Joint global partnerships with industry

#### Challenges

- Intellectual Property Agreements
- Contractual Risk and Delays
- Cultural Differences